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MEMORANDUM FOR DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY INVITEES

Subj: CENTENNIAL OF FLIGHT DINNER

The North Carolina Park Service and Vandeventer Black Law Firm will sponsor the Centennial of Flight Dinner at the Wright Brothers National Memorial in Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina, on December 15, 2003. This dinner, held in conjunction with the Centennial of Powered Flight Celebration, will honor the pioneers of aviation. Representatives from the military departments, other Federal agencies, Congress, and business leaders will attend.

The Department of the Navy has determined that attendance by Department of the Navy personnel at this event constitutes an exception under 5 C.F.R. 2635.204(g)(2). This memorandum constitutes a finding pursuant to 5 C.F.R. 2635.204(g)(3)(ii) of agency interest in the Centennial of Flight Dinner. Accordingly, Department of the Navy personnel whose duties do not substantially affect the sponsors of the event may accept free attendance at this event and the provision of food, refreshments and entertainment furnished to all attendees as an integral part of the event. They may not, however, accept travel expenses or lodgings personally.

Department of the Navy employees whose duties may substantially affect the sponsors should seek an individual determination pursuant to 5 C.F.R. 2635.204(g)(3)(i) regarding this event from their local ethics counselor.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "David W. LaCroix", is positioned above the printed name.

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